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Preface

On January 7, 1995, the distinguished regional editor of the International Journal of Polymeric Materials, Prof. G. E. Zaikov celebrated his 60th birthday. We are very pleased to have secured Prof. Zaikov's invaluable assistance in providing the technical literature of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia and other countries of the former Soviet Union. Because of his international leadership stature in several fields of polymer science and technology such as: Degradation, Stabilization, Biodegradation, Controlled Drug Release, Flame Retardancy, Aging, and Chemical Kinetics, we wish to honor Zaikov's 60th birthday by dedicating an issue of the journal to the recent studies of Prof. Zaikov and his associates.

We congratulate Prof. Zaikov on this occasion for his numerous contributions to polymer science and wish him and his colleagues many more years of fruitful scientific endeavor.

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